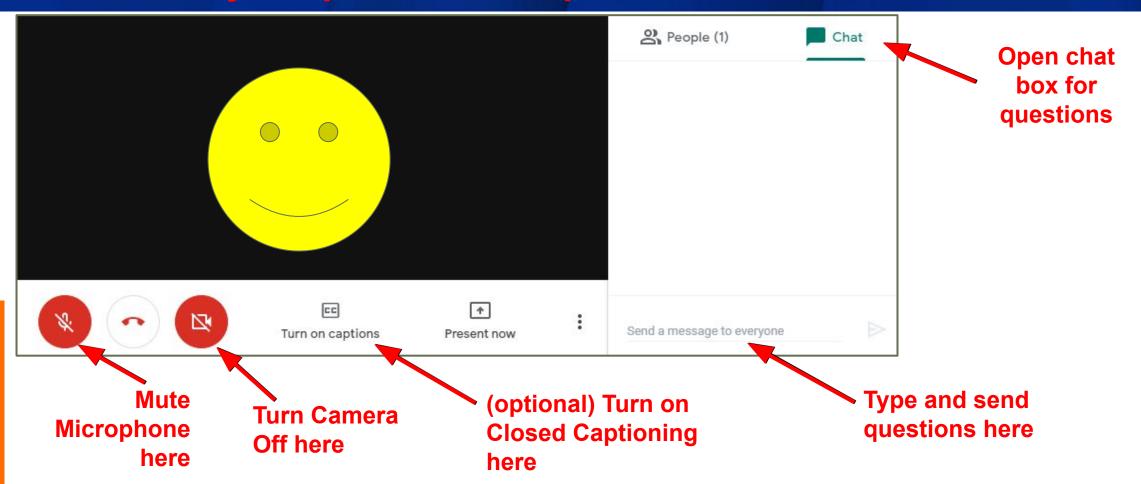
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Office of Tribal Relations
Division of Developmental Disabilities - Tribal Informational Forum
August 19 & 27, 2020

## Welcome

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Assistant Director

Director's Office of Community
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Tribal Relations Manager

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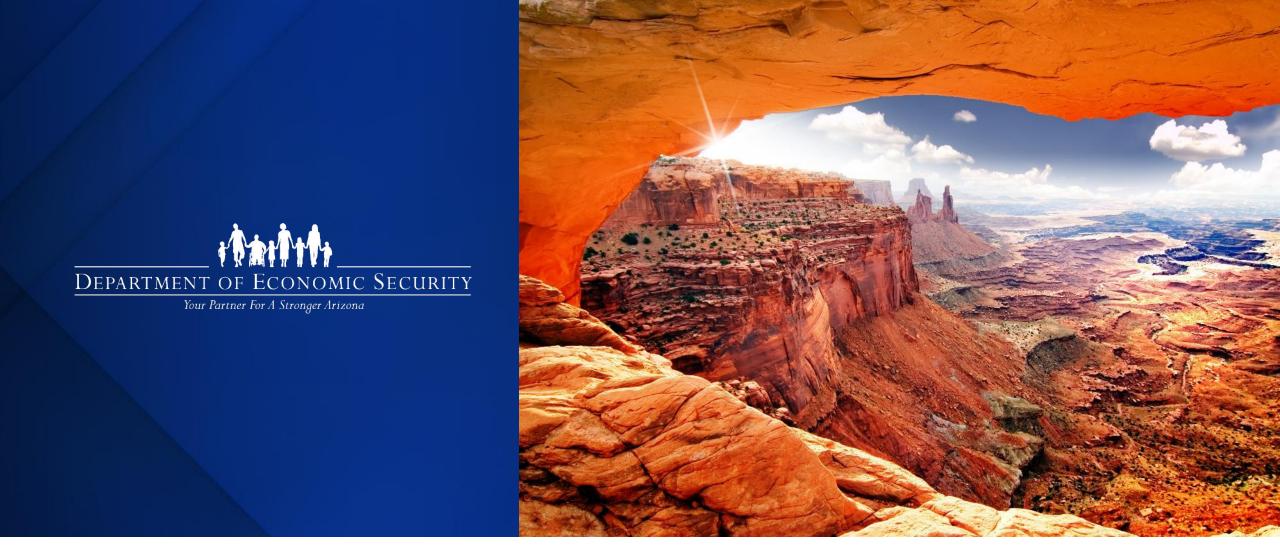




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**Silent Invocation** 



# **COVID-19 Updates & Resources** *OIFA Program Manager - Barbara Picone*

## COVID-19

DDD's top priority is the health and safety of our members, their families, and the professionals in our program that support them

The Division created several guidance documents and implemented service delivery changes in an effort to ensure the continuation of necessary services for our members and to support the financial viability of our providers.

Regular updates on the DDD COVID-19 Website:

https://bit.ly/DDD\_COVID19Actions

## Guidance for Congregate Settings

Guidance for Congregate Settings (Group Homes/Developmental Homes) and Direct Care Workers (DCW)

- Mitigating Risk of Spreading COVID-19
- Cleaning and Disinfection
- Environmental Measures
- Agency Preparedness
- Anticipatory Member Protections
- Guidance on Suspected and Confirmed
   Cases of COVID-19 in Staff and Members
- Providing Care to Members Confirmed with COVID-19

- Reporting Cases of COVID-19
- Appendix 1: Social distancing to limit further spread
- Appendix 2: Room isolation
- Appendix 3: Caregiver guidance
- Appendix 4: Supporting members who have confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Appendix 5: Non-Emergency Transportation
- Appendix 6: Summary of Changes

Guidance can be found at DDD COVID-19 webpage: <a href="https://bit.ly/DDDProviderGuidance">https://bit.ly/DDDProviderGuidance</a>

## CDC Guidance for People at Higher Risk for Severe Illness

#### Underlying health conditions for vulnerable individuals include:

- Risk for Severe Illness Increases with Age
- People living in a nursing home or long-term care facility.
- People of any age with the following conditions:
  - Cancer
  - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
  - Immunocompromised state from solid organ transplant
  - Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 or higher)
  - Serious heart condition
  - Type II Diabetes Mellitus
  - Chronic kidney disease (and undergoing dialysis)
  - Hemoglobin disorders such as Sickle Cell Disease and Thalassemia

## CDC Guidance for People at Higher Risk for Severe Illness

#### The following health conditions might be at increased risk:

- Asthma (moderate-to-severe)
- Cerebrovascular disease
- Cystic fibrosis
- Hypertension or high blood pressure
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from
  - blood or bone marrow transplant,
  - immune deficiencies,
  - HIV,
  - use of corticosteroids, or use of other immune weakening medicines

- Neurologic conditions, such as dementia
- Liver disease
- Pregnancy
- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Smoking
- Thalassemia (a type of blood disorder)
- Type I Diabetes Mellitus

## CDC Guidance for People- Extra Precautions

#### People with Disabilities:

- People who have limited mobility or who cannot avoid coming into close contact with others who may be infected, such as direct support providers and family members
- People who have trouble understanding information or practicing preventive measures, such as hand washing and social distancing
- People who may not be able to communicate symptoms of illness

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-disabilities.html

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html

## **Behavioral Health Support for Members**

#### **Behavioral Health Support** for Members and Families

- Peer and family support agencies are equipped to quickly provide virtual behavioral health support, tips and guidance.
- They are able to assist a member who may have unique worries associated with the fear of COVID-19 as well as difficulty with adjustments to normal activities as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Agencies are able to evaluate the member to determine if a behavioral health referral is needed in addition to their current supports.
- Families or staff can contact these agencies directly

DDD has resources available on its COVID-19 webpage under the "Resources for Families and Members" section: <a href="https://bit.ly/DDD">https://bit.ly/DDD</a> COVID19Actions

## **DDD Resources**

DDD COVID-19 Actions Website: <a href="https://bit.ly/DDD">https://bit.ly/DDD</a> COVID19Actions

- General Resources
  - CDC Activities and Initiatives Supporting COVID-19
- Qualified Vendors and Providers
- Members and Families
- List of Service Delivery Changes
- COVID-19 Temporary Provider Payment Strategies
- Qualified Vendor/Provider Surveys
- Provider FAQs: <a href="https://bit.ly/DDD\_COVIDFAQ">https://bit.ly/DDD\_COVIDFAQ</a>
- Past Town Hall Presentations and Upcoming Town Hall Information: <a href="https://bit.ly/COVID\_TownHall">https://bit.ly/COVID\_TownHall</a>

## **Remote Learning**

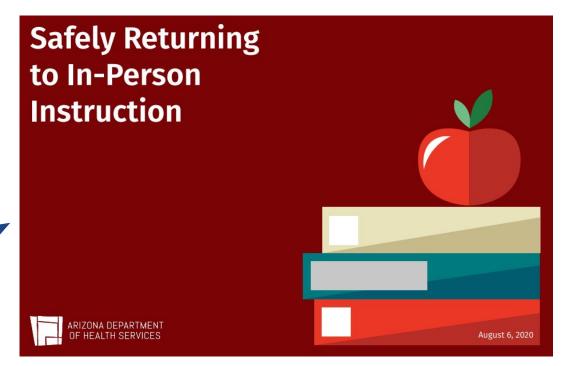
The topic of school aged DDD members who are not able to attend in-person school and who need support to engage in remote learning continues to be a national issue that we are also working through.

DDD has engaged with AHCCCS, the Arizona Department of Education, and the Attorney General's Office to determine whether exemptions will be

allowable during the pandemic.

For now, DDD is not changing service plans for the purposes of supporting remote learning, until DDD receives further guidance.

Benchmarks for Safely Returning to In-Person Instruction



## **COVID-19 Update**

#### COVID-19 Reporting – August 17, 2020

Residential Setting	Total Members	Positive COVID-19 Cases	Member Deaths
Family/Own Home	39,064	409	9
Licensed Residential Setting	4,973	368	29
Total	44,027	777	38

#### Data gathered from:

- Incident Reports submitted to the Division
- Arizona Health Information Exchange
- Monday Close of Business Data Posted each Tuesday.

## Office of Individual and Family Affairs (OIFA)

Customer Service Center
1-844-770-9500 option 1
DDDCustomerServiceCenter@azdes.gov





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# DDD-American Indian Health Plan Integration

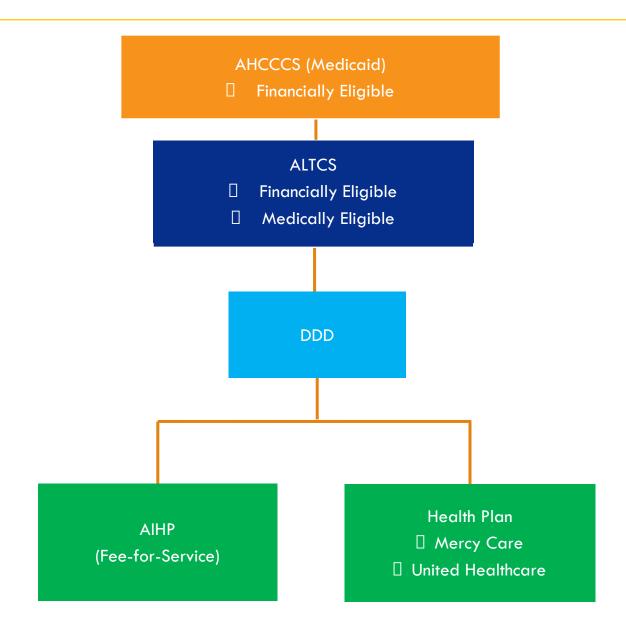
DDD Medical Director - Dr. Pamela Tom

## **Guide to Acronyms**

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CRS	Children's Rehabilitative Services	
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DDD	Division of Developmental Disabilities	
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HCBS	Home and Community Based Services	
LTSS*	Long Term Care Services and Supports	
PH	Physical Health	
TRBHA	Tribal Regional Behavioral Health Authorities	
SMI	Serious Mentally III	

<sup>\*</sup>Includes HCBS, home-based nursing, therapies, attendant care, respite, habilitation, etc.

## DDD American Indian Health Plan (AIHP)



#### DDD American Indian Health Plan (AIHP)

#### **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**





### Integration of Healthcare Services

- Physical Health Services
- Behavioral Health Services
- Children's Rehabilitative
  Services (CRS)\*
- Limited Long-Term Services and Supports
  - Emergency Alert System Services
  - Nursing Facilities
- Physical Therapy for Members Over 21



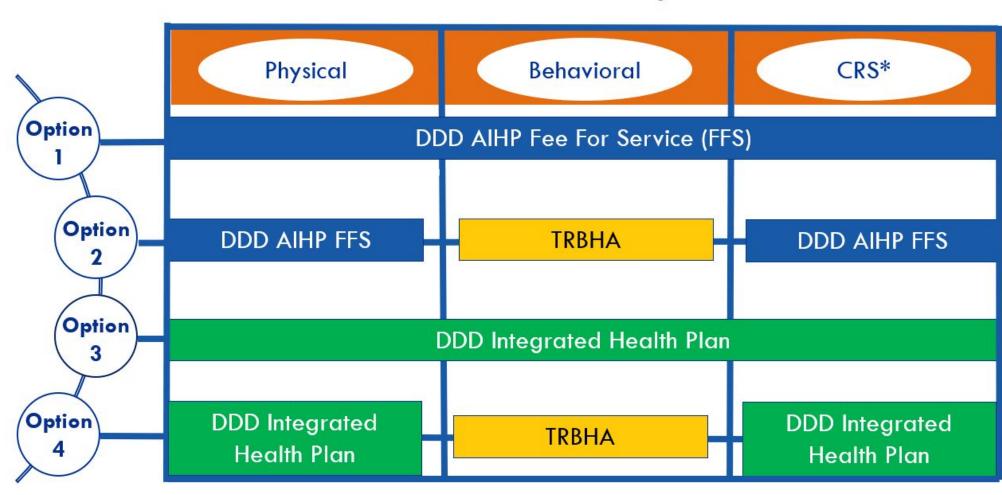
- **DDD Continues to Provide**
- ☐ Support Coordination
- Qualified Vendors &Specialty Contractors
- Home and CommunityBased Services



- DDD American Indian
  Members
- □ DDD Health Plans
  - Mercy Care andUnitedHealthcareCommunity Plan
- DDD American IndianHealth Plan (DDD AIHP) -FFS
- IHS, Tribally Operated 638, and Urban Native Health Facilities (Not All Services May Be Available)

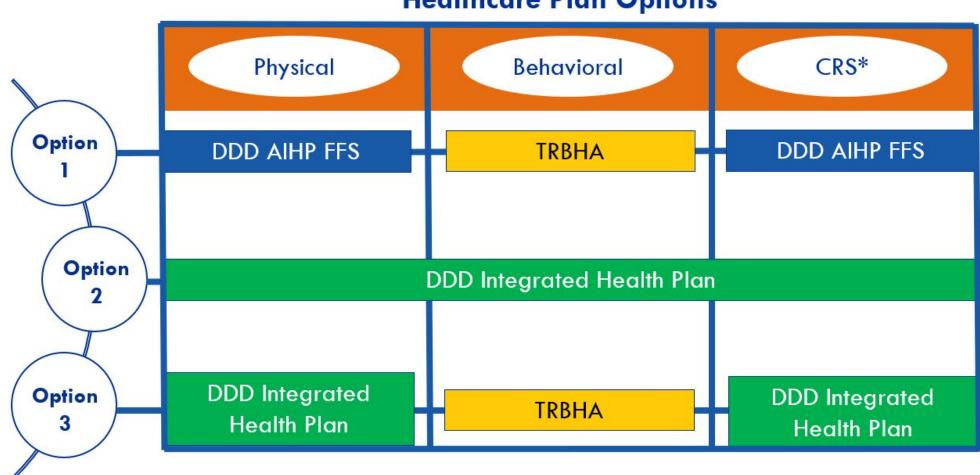
#### Effective October 1, 2019

#### DDD American Indian <u>Non-SMI</u> Member Healthcare Plan Options



#### Effective October 1, 2019

#### DDD American Indian SMI Member Healthcare Plan Options



## **DDD AIHP Enrollment**







#### **Future of DDD AIHP**

- Challenges with continued administration of the program in its current form for the long-term future.
- DDD's strengths are Case Management and Long-Term Services and Supports.
- Challenges with delivering physical and behavioral health services through a Fee for Service system.
- Benefit to the member to identify a system that better meets their need.
- AHCCCS expertise w/ Fee for Service and AIHP.
- DDD began collaboration w/ AHCCCS to determine long-term solution that is in the best interest of DDD AIHP members.
- Any changes would not occur until 10/2021 at earliest.

## **Progress to Date**

- Discussion is underway between DDD and AHCCCS in understanding the possibilities in enhancing current DDD AIHP.
- This work had led to identifying potential options to have both organizations work closer together through an integrated approach.
- Seeking Tribal feedback as to the current thinking.
- Assigned Division and AHCCCS resources to dedicate time and attention to completing work once confirmed.

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Current and Potential Future Options for AI/AN ALTCS Members

Current			Potential Future			
Current Health Plan Enrollment / Assignments	Physical Health	Behavioral Health	CRS*	LTSS**	Proposed Division of Developmental Disabilities Options for American Indian / Alaska Native members	
Option 1	DDD HP	DDD HP (SMI)	DDD HP	DDD	No change	Approx. 1,246
Option 2	DDD HP	TRBHA (SMI)	DDD HP	DDD	No change	Approx. 212
Option 3	DDD AIHP	TRBHA (SMI)	DDD AIHP	DDD	DDD AIHP with AHCCCS *AHCCCS DFSM would become responsible for PH (CRS) claims/care management, no sooner than 10/1/21 (including SMI)	Approx. 313
Option 4	DDD AIHP	DDD AIHP (SMI)	DDD AIHP	DDD	DDD AIHP with AHCCCS *AHCCCS DFSM would become responsible for PH and BH (CRS) claims/care management, no sooner than 10/1/21 (including SMI)	Approx. 209

<sup>\*</sup> If eligible

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## Closing Remarks & Announcements

#### **DES Office of Tribal Relations Contact Information**

#### **Upcoming Virtual Meetings:**

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#### **DBME Tribal Liaison:**

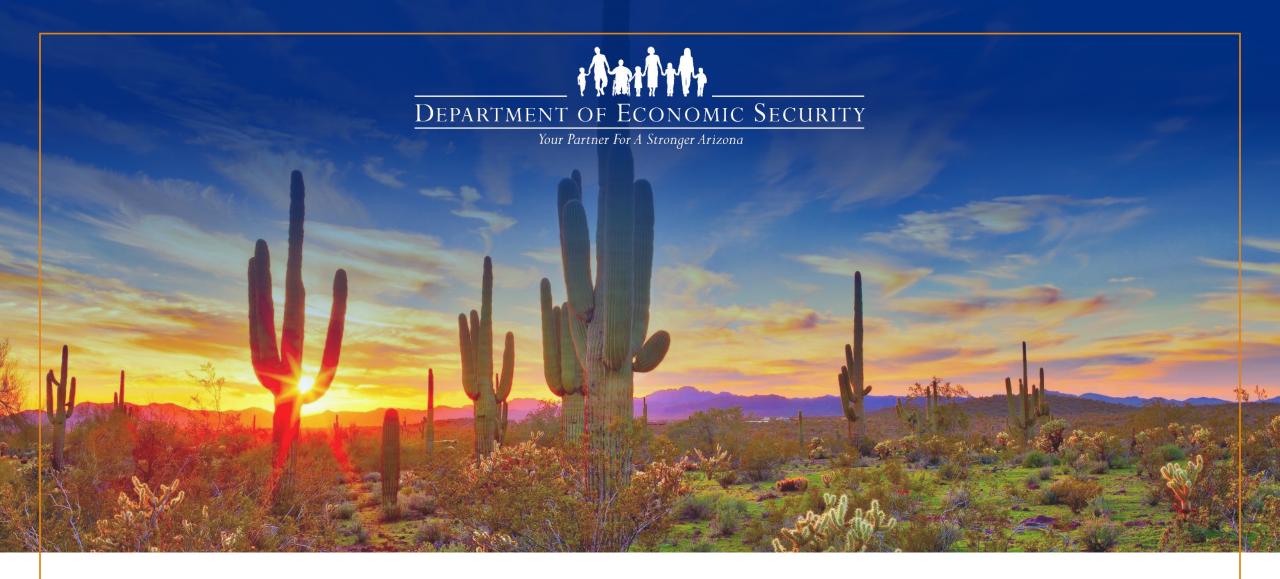
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#### **DDD Tribal Liaison:**

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DBME Tribal Informational	August 26, 2020	
Forum	1pm to 2pm – MST	
DDD Tribal Informational	August 27, 2020	
Forum	1pm to 2pm – MST	
DES Virtual Community Partner Communication Session	September 1, 2020, 10am to 11am – MST	
DES Tribal Consultation	Thursday - November 19, 2020	

For more information, visit: des.az.gov/about-des/tribal-relations



## Thank you!